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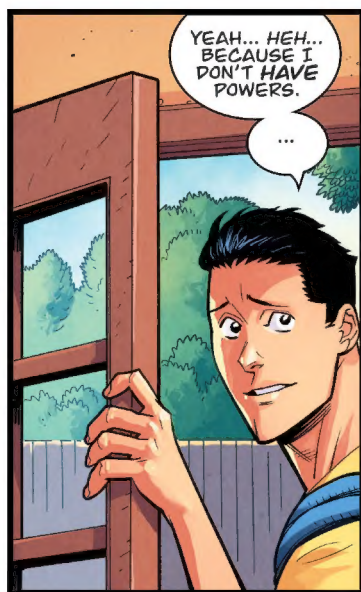
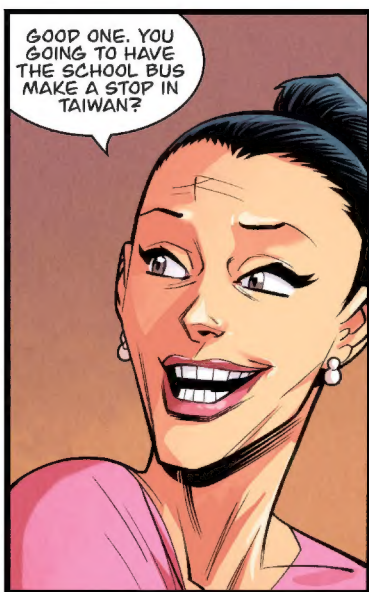
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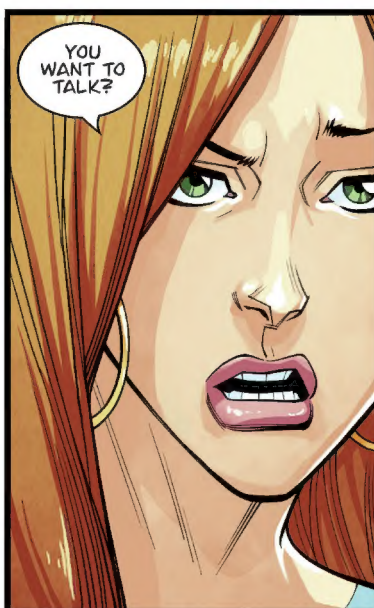
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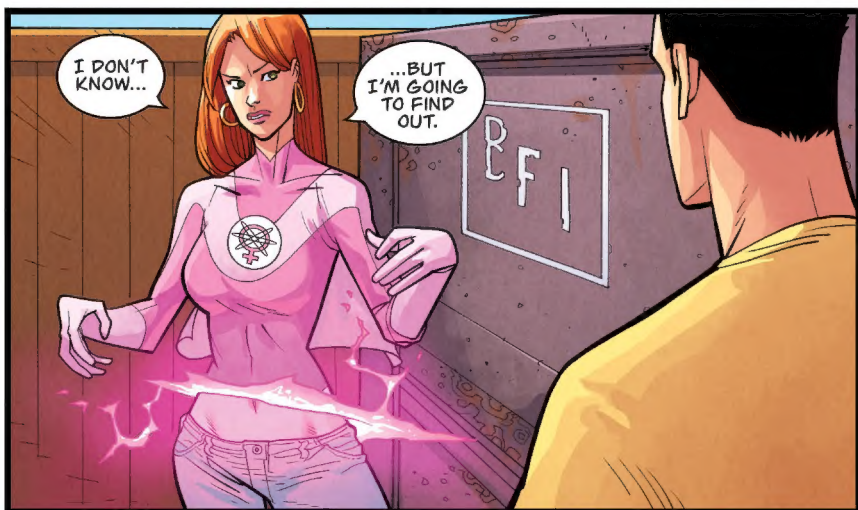
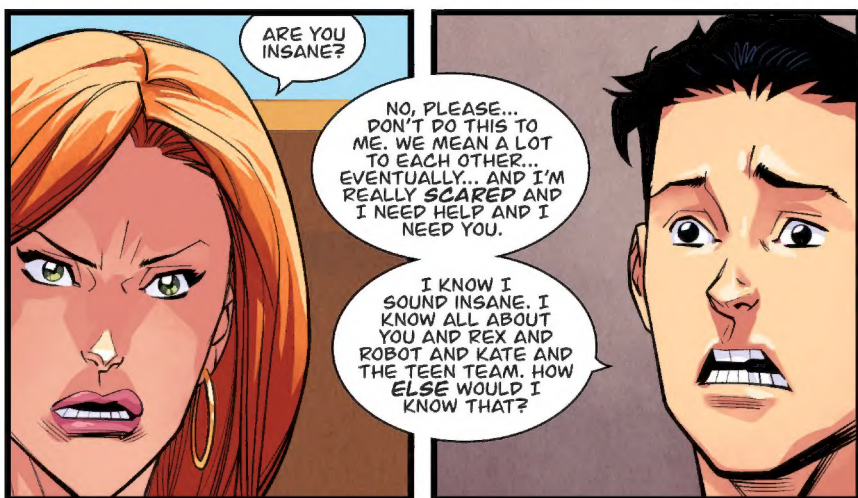
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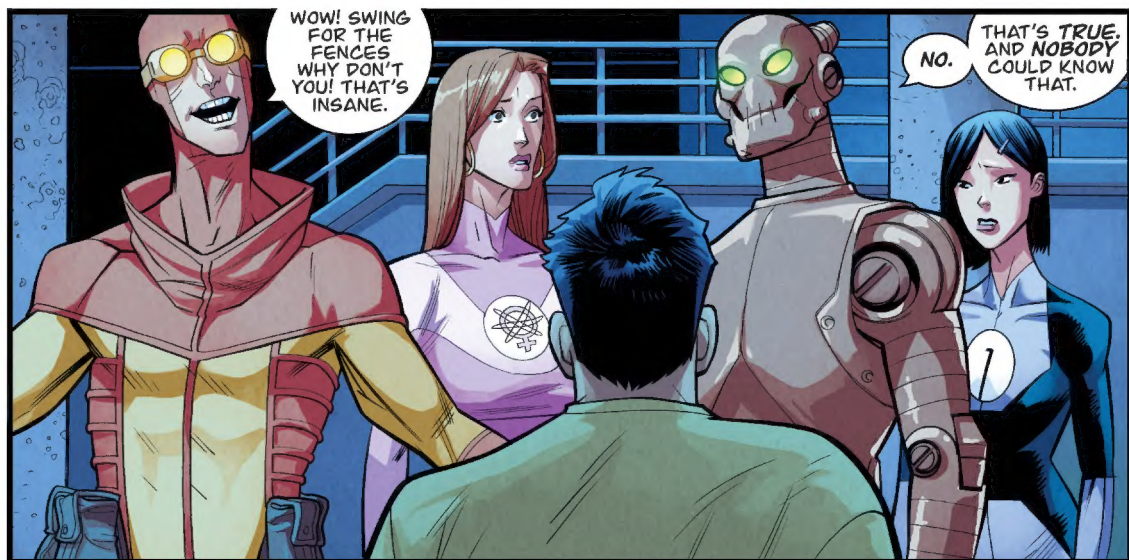
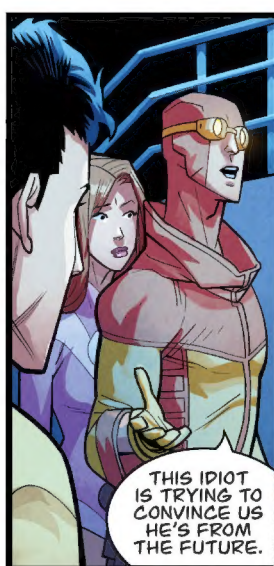
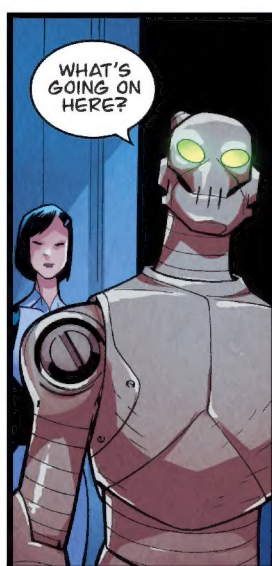
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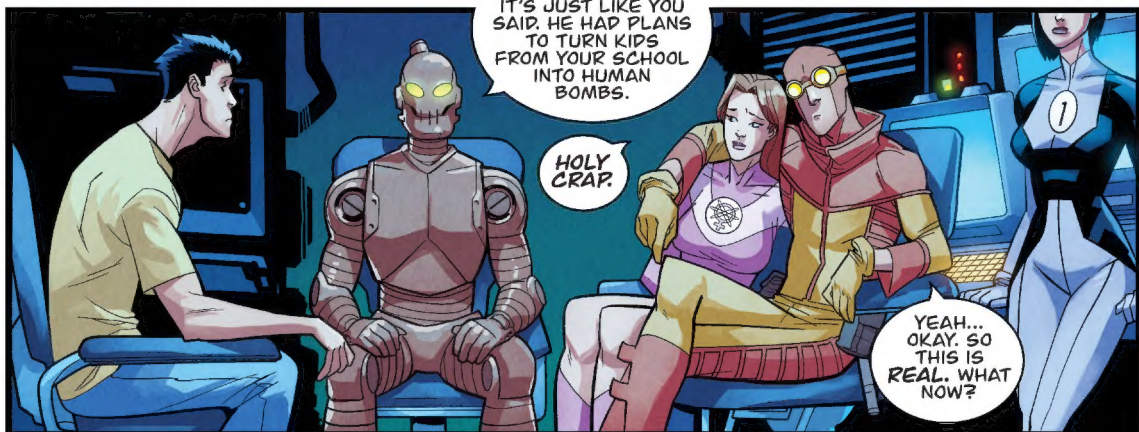








THE POLICE
ARRESTED HIM...
IT'S JUST LIKE YOU
SAID. HE HAD PLANS
TO TURN KIDS
FROM YOUR SCHOOL
INTO HUMAN
BOMBS.



HOLY
CRAP.

YEAH...
OKAY. SO
THIS IS
REAL. WHAT
NOW?

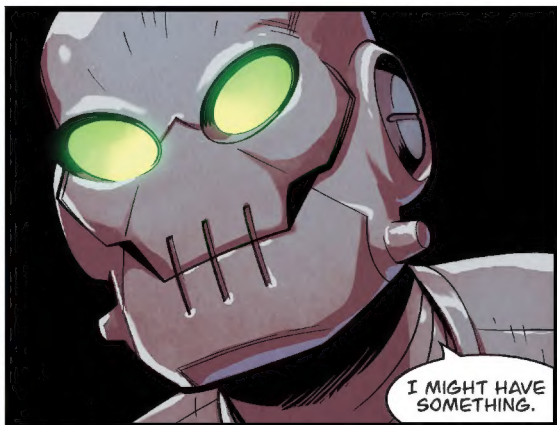
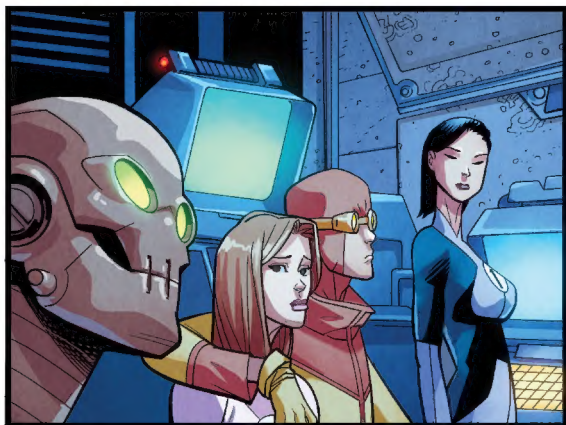


WELL... I'M JUST GOING
TO SAY THIS OUT LOUD
BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE
WE'RE ALL FRIENDS
HERE. I'M STILL
WORRIED THIS ISN'T
REAL.

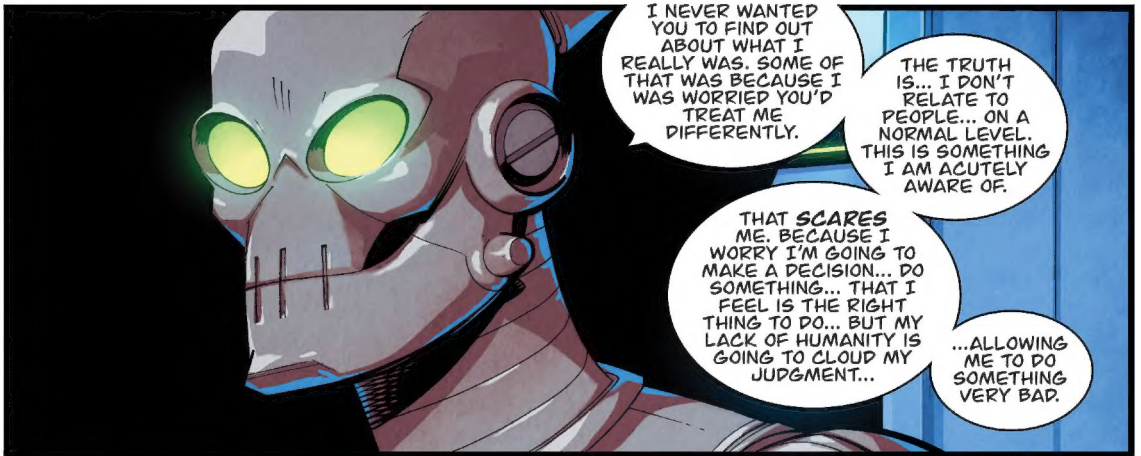
IT FEELS
REAL. THE
BIGGEST THING IS
I'M A FEW YEARS
YOUNGER... AND BEING IN
THIS BODY IS JUST WEIRD.
I'M THINNER, I MOVE
DIFFERENTLY... IT
FEELS SO ALIEN.

BUT STILL... I
WISH THERE WAS
SOMETHING YOU GUYS
COULD SAY THAT
WOULDN'T BE SOMETHING
I KNEW. THAT MAYBE I
COULD USE MY
KNOWLEDGE OF FUTURE
EVENTS TO CONFIRM...
WITHOUT ME HAVING
ALREADY KNOWN IT.

THAT
SEEMS...
IMPOSSIBLE,
THOUGH.



I MIGHT HAVE
SOMETHING.

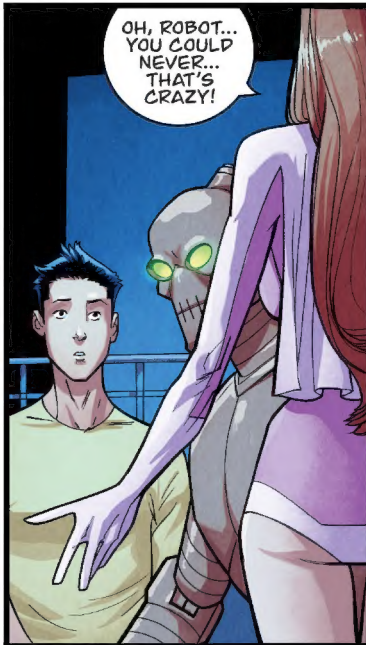


I NEVER WANTED YOU TO FIND OUT ABOUT WHAT I REALLY WAS. SOME OF THAT WAS BECAUSE I WAS WORRIED YOU'D TREAT ME DIFFERENTLY.

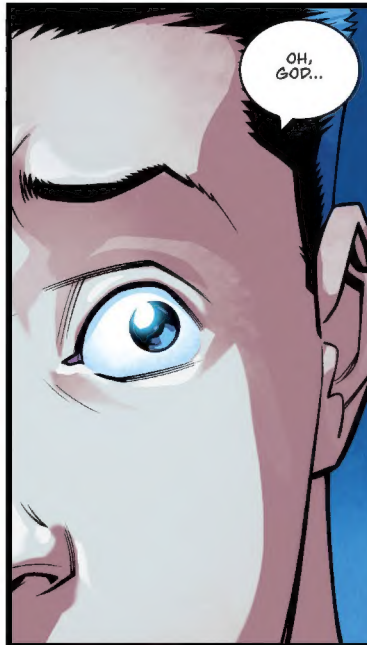
THE TRUTH IS... I DON'T RELATE TO PEOPLE... ON A NORMAL LEVEL. THIS IS SOMETHING I AM ACUTELY AWARE OF.

THAT SCARES ME. BECAUSE I WORRY I'M GOING TO MAKE A DECISION... DO SOMETHING... THAT I FEEL IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO... BUT MY LACK OF HUMANITY IS GOING TO CLOUD MY JUDGMENT...

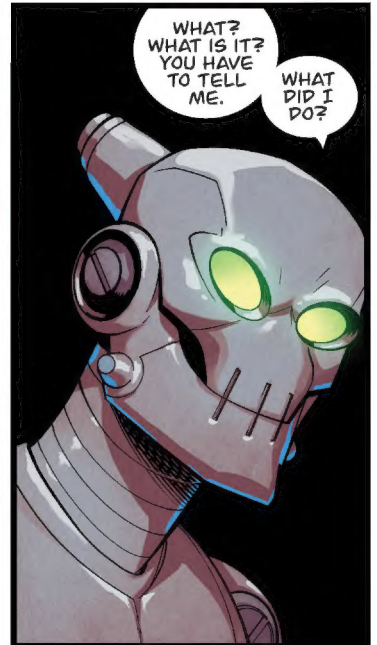
...ALLOWING ME TO DO SOMETHING VERY BAD.



OH, ROBOT... YOU COULD NEVER... THAT'S CRAZY!



OH, GOD...



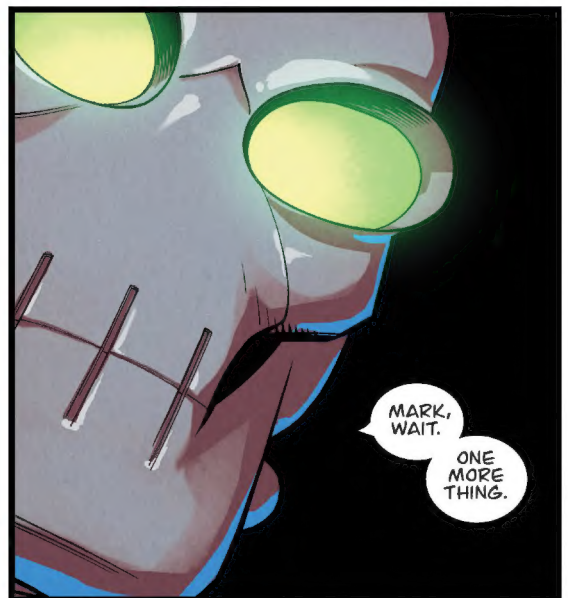
WHAT? WHAT IS IT? YOU HAVE TO TELL ME.

WHAT DID I DO?



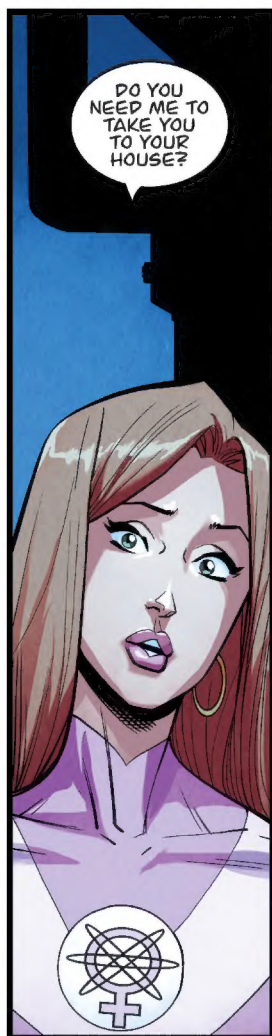
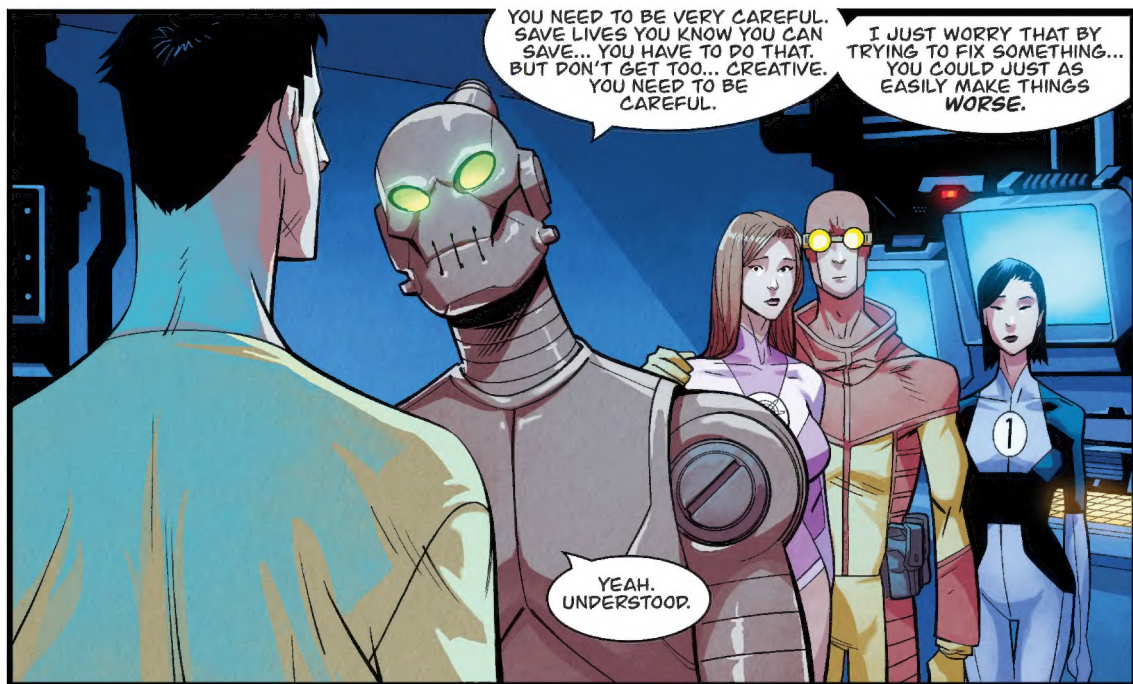
I CAN'T. IT'S NOT... IT WOULDN'T MAKE SENSE TO YOU IF I TOLD YOU.

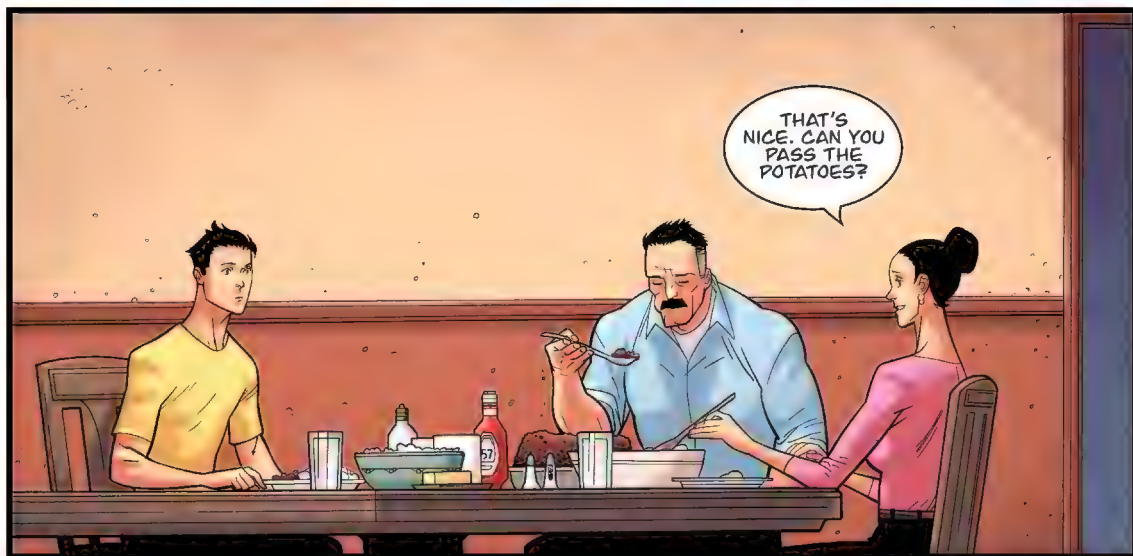
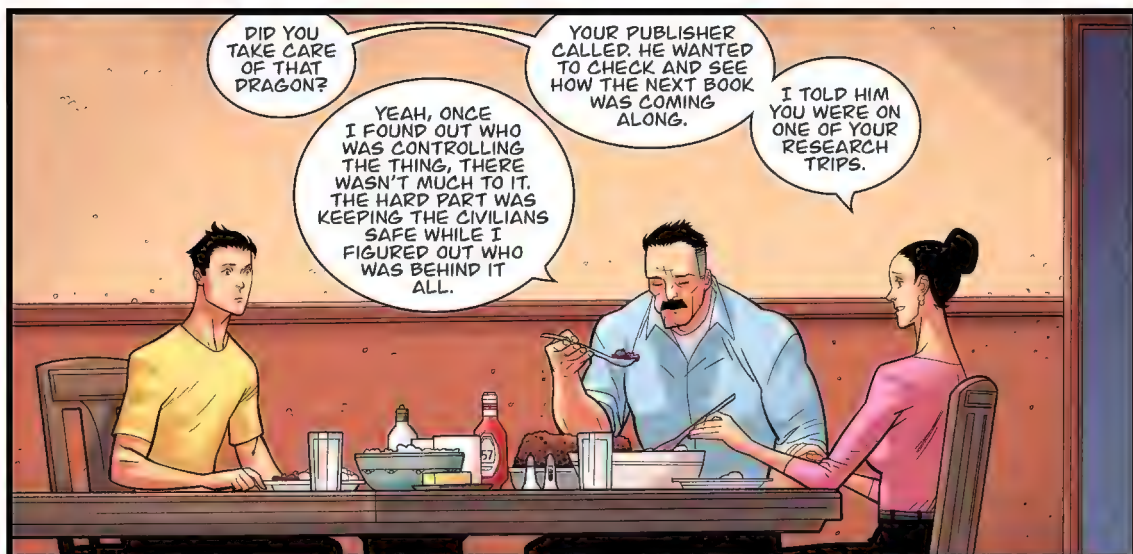
THAT JUST... THAT PUT SOME THINGS INTO PERSPECTIVE. I SHOULD PROBABLY BE GOING. I DON'T WANT MY PARENTS TO WORRY WHILE I'M STILL FIGURING THIS OUT...

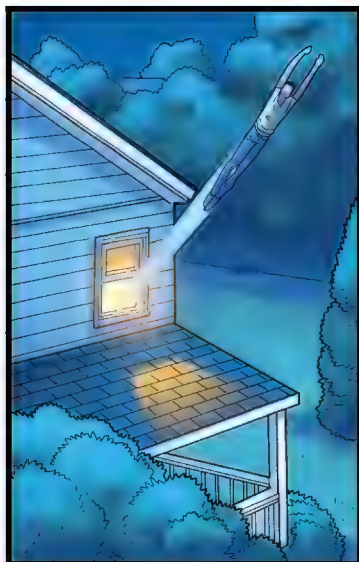


MARK, WAIT.

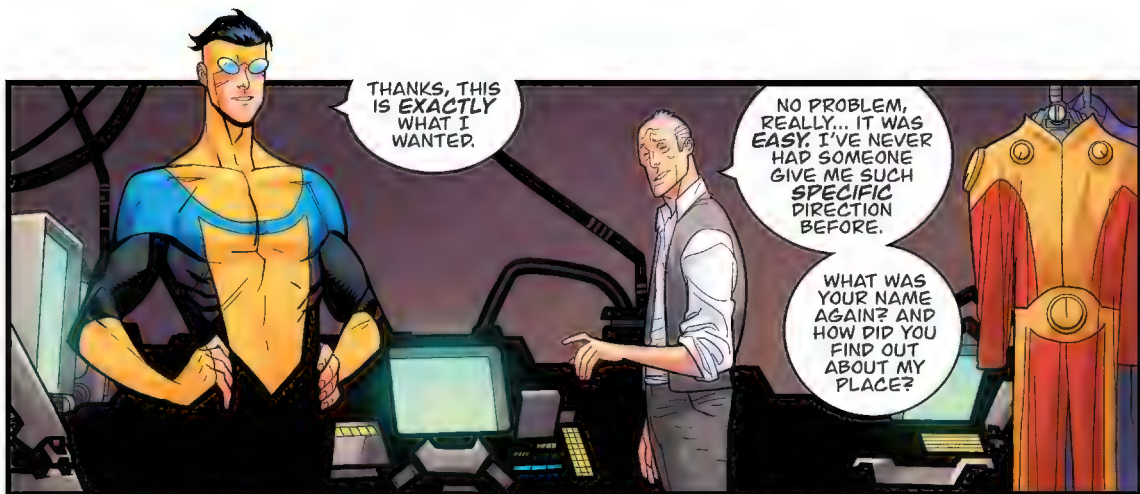
ONE MORE THING.

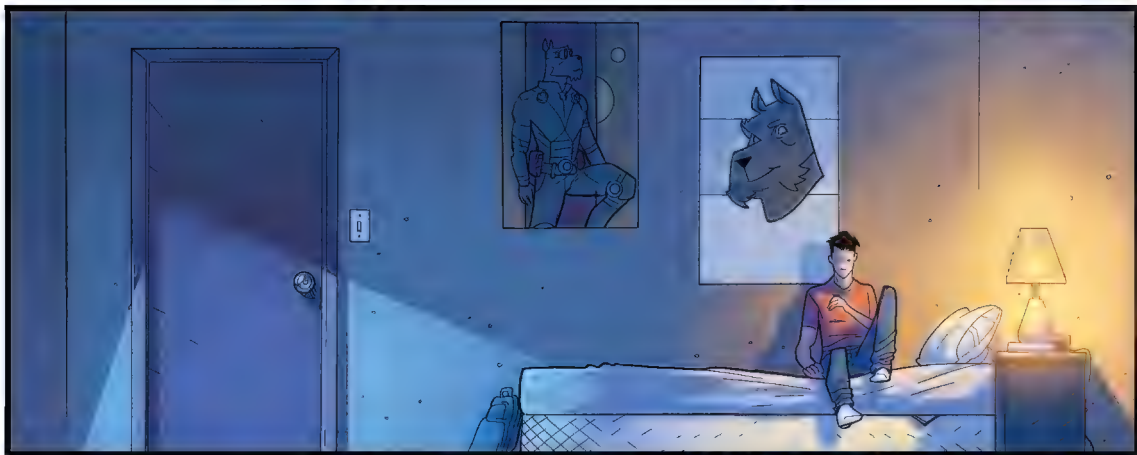
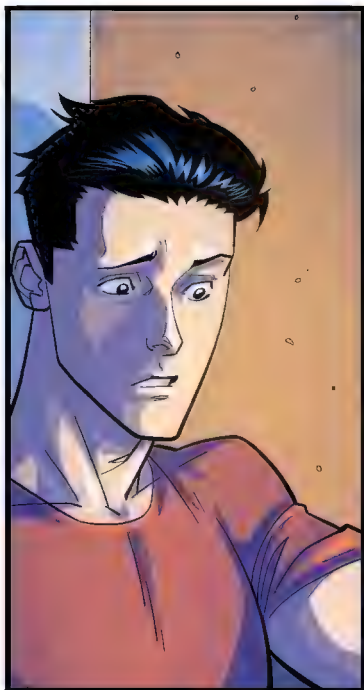
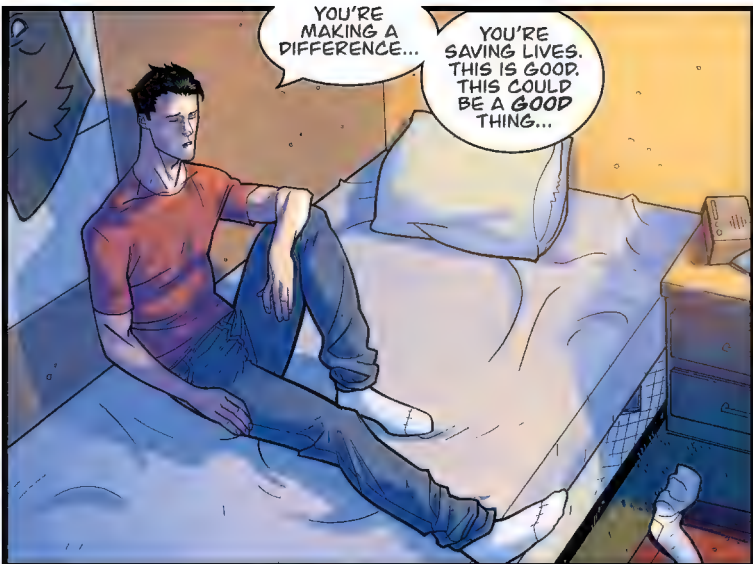
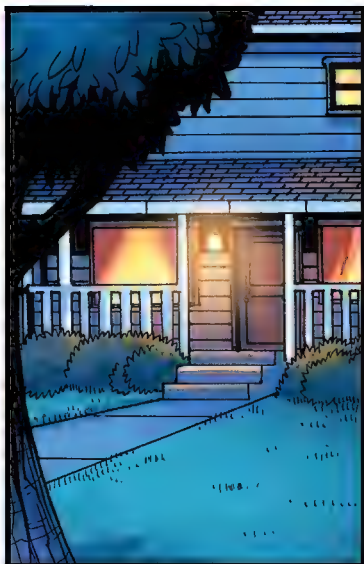










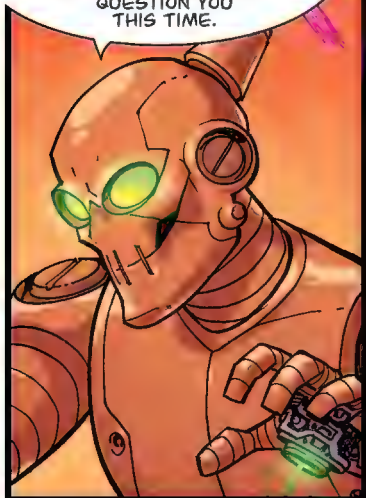




THAT'S
IT--
KEEP IT
UP!

WE JUST
NEED TO
HOLD THEM
IN PLACE!

I HAVE TO SAY, WHILE YOU HAVE BEEN NEARLY PROPHETIC IN THE PAST... I'M STARTING TO QUESTION YOU THIS TIME.



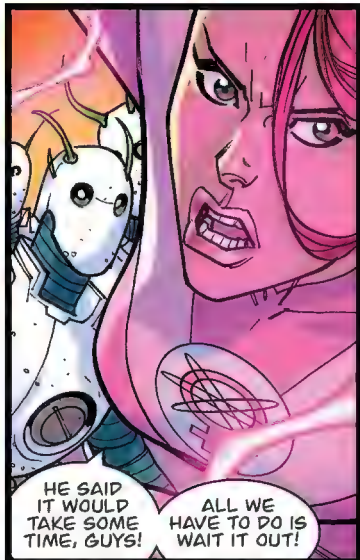
YEAH! I AGREE WITH ROBOT!

THESE GUYS AREN'T GETTING OLD AT ALL!



HE SAID IT WOULD TAKE SOME TIME, GUYS!

ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS WAIT IT OUT!



EXACTLY!

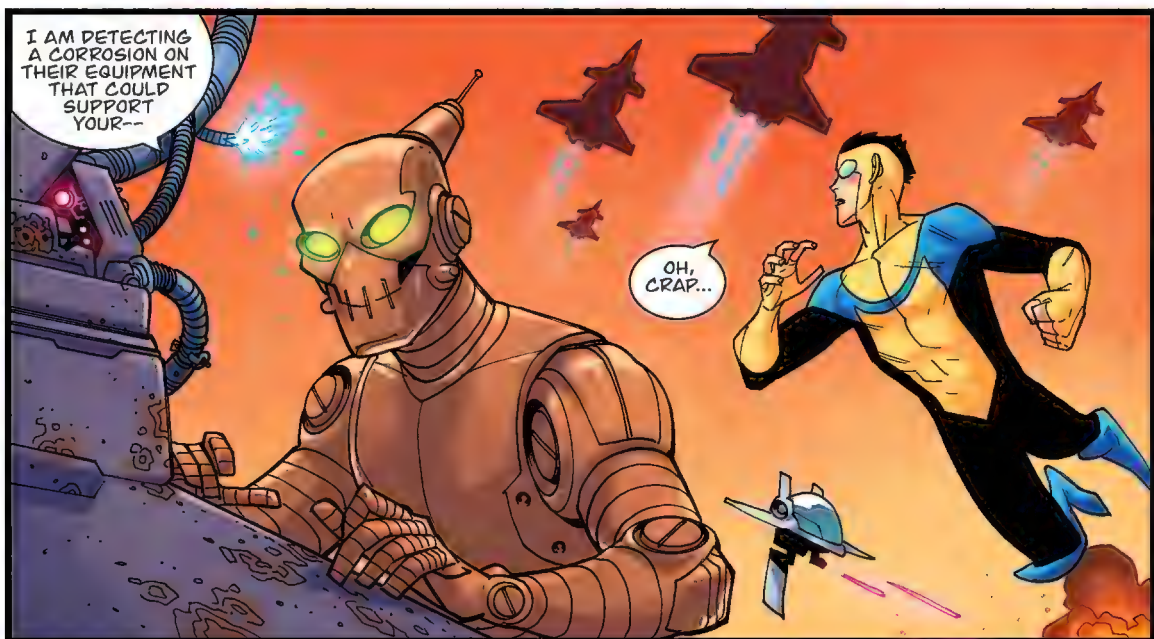
I SWEAR THESE GUYS ARE GOING TO LOOK LIKE GRAMPAS SOON, AND THEY'RE GOING TO CRAWL BACK INTO THAT PORTAL.

I WISH THEY'D HURRY UP ALREADY!

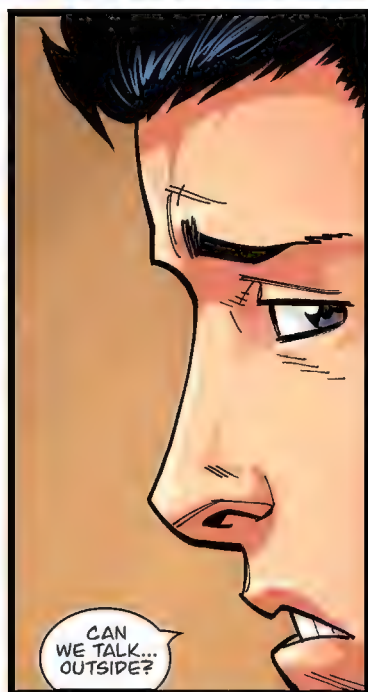
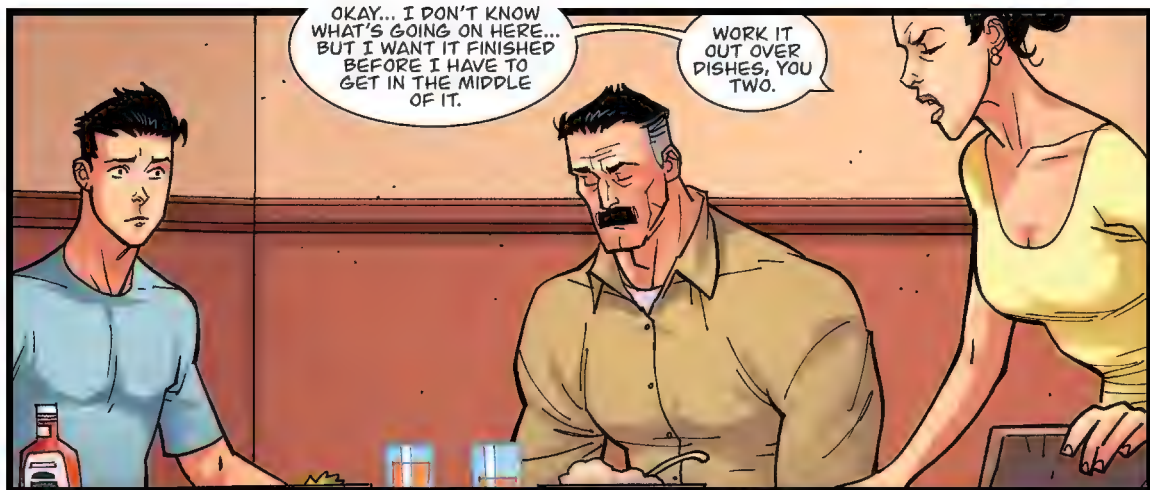


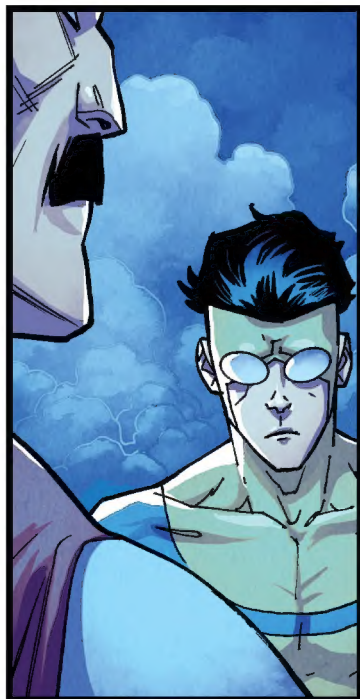
I AM DETECTING A CORROSION ON THEIR EQUIPMENT THAT COULD SUPPORT YOUR--

OH, CRAP...













REBOOT?

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You're really committing to this reboot thing, huh? I mean, you guys're REALLY going through with it.

Yes, we very much are. And honestly, it's going to be the coolest thing to ever happen to this series, in my humble opinion. This has always been an evolving series, the kind of stories we tell have been changing as this series progresses. At the same time, we've been building on those stories and each of them has a value that's been added to the characters and this world. That value is not being taken away, as we can see in this issue. Mark remembers the same stories the fans remember. That's important.

I am a huge comics fan, and a huge superhero fan... and I hate reboots. It's something that's become far too common in this industry we know and love. The current never-ending cycle of revamps I feel is hurting our industry as a whole.

So I can't stress enough, *Invincible: Reboot?* (note the question mark) is definitely NOT that. It's something different.

And it's going to be a lot of fun.

To the creators of this amazing book that I have enjoyed constantly since its first issue, I say thank you. You do a wonderful job. It's unpredictable and fantastic. I just finished reading #122 and the letters page about the French fan who wanted Battle Beast merchandise, and I had an idea that you might be interested in. The fight between Thragg and BB was so intense and done so well by Ryan Ottley. I also enjoyed the way it would interrupt the main story as a sort of 'meanwhile, back at the fight' interlude. Here's my suggestion:

Do an Artist's Edition-type of softcover of either the original pages with inks or the finals with color of just the fight! That fight could be a book, as well as the Mark, Oliver, Omni-Man fight against the Viltrumites could be another book; broken into volumes! I believe Ottley's pencils in original page size would sell very well. Or make them into Treasury Edition sizes. But the emphasis is to highlight the beauty, choreography, and brutality of the fights. It can also be wrapped in one-sheet pre-and-post history pages of the Invincible storyline that could compel those picking it up to buy the back issues or collected volumes and/or catch up to the current story.

I think an Artists' Edition or Treasury-sized books of key fights would be a great avenue to explore and I hope you give the idea some consideration. I know that my friends and I would definitely be buyers of them and would be at cons trying to get them signed or sketched in.

Thank you for reading my email.

Forever a fan,

Rodney Dunwoody

That's a REALLY fun idea, and I don't think any publisher has done anything like that. Though also no publisher puts out books with fights as epic and bloody as INVINCIBLE. So really, by printing this letter, no one can steal Rodney's idea because they couldn't actually deliver on it. What might be more fun is to do an entire issue of INVINCIBLE treasury sized (because what comic book fan doesn't love that format?) with just cover-to-cover fighting. A new classic in the making!

It's definitely got me thinking... stay tuned.

As I'm sure you have heard, Battle Beast was definitely the favorite to win that blood bath of a brawl. I was chomping at the bit to see him finish Thragg and was devastated to see his fate. The Battle Beast fur coat was a punch to the gut. As I finished the issue and tossed it in spite I realized Battle Beast got taken down on a planet who's inhabitants were capable of making a giant praying mantis look like Science Dog. Why couldn't they have made a copy of Battle Beast to swap out at the last minute (Ala Dinosaurus). Hopefully something like this happened but after reading #122, I think Battle Beasts mantle is safe either way. His new girl friend could definitely keep a little Battle Beast Cub well fed and he would still be a galactic threat if he talked backwards and had a fin on his head. Savage Dragon pulled it off!

Brad

Well, we just rebooted everything, so the Battle Beast you know and love can't be too far away, right?

Interesting...

Be here next month for REBOOT? Part 2. In which Mark and Nolan...

-Sean Mackiewicz

Yeah... they saw that clenched fist, Sean... I think they know what's coming. 30 days!

-Robert Kirkman

NEXT ISSUE



"REBOOT?" part two! Omni-Man murdered The Guardians of the Globe to facilitate his attempt to take over Earth... now that he has the opportunity... can Invincible stop his father and change the course of history... for the better?